CLAIMS

[0050] What is claimed is:

- 1. An apparatus comprising:
 - a phase-shift generator to provide a phase-shift of substantially $\pi/2$ radians to an oscillation signal between a first oscillation tank, which provides substantially no phase-shift, and a second oscillation tank.
- 2. The apparatus of claim 1, comprising an additional phase-shift generator to provide a phase-shift of substantially $\pi/2$ radians to the oscillation signal from the second oscillation tank.
- 3. The apparatus of claim 2, comprising a phase-inverter to invert the phase of the oscillation signal.
- 4. The apparatus of claim 3, wherein the phase-inverter comprises an amplifier.
- 5. The apparatus of claim 4, wherein the amplifier is able to provide a gain such that a total gain across a loop, which comprises the amplifier, the first and second oscillating tanks, the phase-shift generator and the additional phase-shift generator, is equal to substantially one.
- 6. The apparatus of claim 5, comprising one or more transconductors to convert said oscillation signal from voltage to current.
- 7. An oscillator comprising:
 - a first oscillation tank which produces substantially no phase-shift;
 - a second oscillation tank which produces substantially no phase-shift; and
 - a phase-shift generator to shift by substantially $\pi/2$ radians a phase of a signal from said first oscillation tank.
- 8. The oscillator of claim 7, comprising an additional phase-shift generator to shift by substantially $\pi/2$ radians a phase of a signal from the second oscillation tank.

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- 9. A wireless communication device comprising:
 - a dipole antenna to send and receive wireless signals; and
 - a quadrature oscillator comprising a phase-shift generator to provide a phase-shift of substantially $\pi/2$ radians to an oscillation signal between a first oscillation tank, which provides substantially no phase-shift, and a second oscillation tank.
- 10. The wireless communication device of claim 9, wherein the quadrature oscillator comprises an additional phase-shift generator to provide a phase-shift of substantially $\pi/2$ radians to the oscillation signal from the second oscillation tank.
- 11. The wireless communication device of claim 10, wherein the quadrature oscillator comprises a phase-inverter to invert the phase of the oscillation signal.
- The wireless communication device of claim 11, wherein the phase-inverter comprises an amplifier.
- 13. The wireless communication device of claim 12, wherein the amplifier is able to provide a gain such that a total gain across a loop, which comprises the amplifier, the first and second oscillating tanks, the phase-shift generator and the additional phase-shift generator, is equal to substantially one.
- 14. The wireless communication device of claim 13, comprising one or more transconductors to convert said oscillation signal from voltage to current.
- 15. A method comprising:

providing a phase-shift of substantially $\pi/2$ radians to an oscillation signal between a first oscillation tank, which provides substantially no phase-shift, and a second oscillation tank.

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- 16. The method of claim 15, wherein the second oscillation tank produces substantially no phase-shift, and further comprising providing a phase-shift of substantially $\pi/2$ radians to the oscillation signal from the second oscillation tank.
- 17. The method of claim 16, further comprising, after providing the additional phase-shift of substantially $\pi/2$ radians to the oscillation signal from the second oscillation tank of substantially $\pi/2$ radians, inverting the phase of the oscillation signal.
- 18. The method of claim 17, wherein inverting the phase of said oscillation signal comprises amplifying said oscillation signal.
- 19. The method of claim 18, comprising converting said oscillation signal from voltage to current.